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## FOR WOMAN SUFFRAGE

Justice Wendell Phillips Stafford's Letter to the Equal Franchise League of Burlington

I believe in votes for women for exactly the same reasons that I believe in votes for men. I believe in the broadest kind of a democracy. All who are bound to obey the law are entitled to an equal voice in saying what that law shall be, unless some good reason can be given against it. What laws are known as the burden of proof is on those who would deny the suffrage to any class. We do make an exception in the case of foreigners until they have been naturalized, because they owe allegiance to some other government and they ought to prove that they have come here to remain and are fit to be citizens. We make an exception of children because they ought to wait until their minds have matured. We make an exception of illiterates, because voters ought to have at least the rudiments of education, and in this country they have the opportunity to learn. We may make an exception of those who have no property, if we decide that no one ought to vote unless he has a property interest in the community, although I venture to doubt the wisdom of such an exception. But who can say that sex, in and of itself, has anything to do with this matter of voting? If a person has every other qualification, citizenship, character, intelligence, property, is it then to be denied an equal voice in saying what the law shall be, solely because of sex? Those who assert it are bound to show why. They are bound to show that there is something in the mere fact of sex that qualifies or disqualifies a person for the exercise of the franchise for 40 years for somebody to show it, and I expect to have to wait a good while longer. The fact is that sex has nothing more to do with qualification for the suffrage than height, weight or color. The hair, when the argument has proceeded to this point the objector is apt to say, "But women don't want to vote." If they really do not want to vote my own experience with the sex leads me to think they will not—we do not need a law to prevent them from doing what they have no desire to do. The trouble is that a large number of women do desire to vote, and the number is growing larger all the time. No doubt a large number have no desire to vote. The same is equally true of men. Some people do not care to live, but the mass of us who do care have not lost our right to live because other choose to throw their lives away. Nearly 2,000,000 men refused to go to the polls at the last presidential election. Other men cared enough to travel thousands of miles to Texas to fight. Suppose only a part of the women should choose to exercise their right, ought the others to be denied the privilege? Do you really mean to tell us that one woman shall not have what belongs to her, because two other women do not want what belongs to them?

There are many reasons why I believe in equal suffrage, and as I said in the beginning they are reasons that apply to men and women alike. The whole theory of democratic institutions is that the broader the base the stronger will be the structure. Nobody questions that an aristocratic government has some advantages over a democracy, and so, in turn, an absolute despotism has some advantages over both. The machinery will run more smoothly under a despotism because there will be only one hand and one will in control. An aristocracy will have higher grade of education and talent than an enormous mixed mass of people. But history has shown that liberty is not safe under any form of despotism, and that no aristocracy can be trusted to legislate for the great body of the people outside its own class. It is better to have government administered in the interest of the masses, even though it is not administered so skillfully as by a despotism or by an aristocracy. If the ballot is to be one can get or hold office without at least making the people believe that he is working for their interest. He cannot turn his back on the people. The despot or the aristocracy can, and they are very apt to do so. A law made by the whole people may be less wise or less skillful than one made by a few, but it will have more weight because it will have the power of the people behind it. In this sense a democracy is the strongest government in the world. And, moreover those who exercise the right of suffrage are constantly stimulated to a healthy interest in public affairs. Every political campaign is something of a school. New questions are debated; voters read and consider and decide. The truth is, the great school-teacher is responsibility. We can all see how women have been educated during the past generation by the new responsibilities that have been thrust upon them through the changes that have come about in the social and the working world. The fact that such great numbers of women both in this country and in England, and indeed all over the world, are calling for the ballot is largely due to the economic changes that have made women a competitor with man in new and untried fields, and to the wider and higher education the women of the last half-century have received. In both ways. The new places into which women have been thrust have roused her interest in community questions and her interest in community questions has awakened in her a desire to be heard. The women's clubs have probably done more than any other single agency to promote the cause of equal suffrage, although generally they have been unconscious of the fact. All this is necessary now, in Vermont or elsewhere in this country, is that women should earnestly insist upon sharing the duties and privileges of citizenship. They will insist when they are sufficiently interested, and their interest will be aroused by any thorough discussion of the question.

For these reasons I have always believed that the remonstrants help our cause quite as much as our own

advocates. If women wish to delay the suffrage movement (I do not say defeat it, for it cannot be defeated) but if they wish to delay it, they can only do so by silence and indifference. The more they discuss it the more there will be who desire it, for the more there will be who are awakened to an interest in public affairs. If I were the adviser of our friends, the remonstrants, I should say, "Keep still and let the suffrage come. Do not think of stirring up the question even by opposition, for the more you stir it up the more converts to equal suffrage you will make." You can get a woman thoroughly awake to public questions, and eager to take a hand in them, just about as well by arguing with her against suffrage as by arguing with her in its favor. After all, isn't it rather a poor proposition that can only be safe-guarded by indifference—a stolid refusal to think or to care?

Equal suffrage, like the worldwide democratic rising of which it is a part, is moving irresistibly as the tides of the sea. We may oppose it; we cannot stop it; we can hardly interrupt or hinder it; but we can, if we will, join it and help it forward and rejoice in its onward march. The thing is to be learned from the record of the past three centuries. It is that the people, and all the people, are to have a share in the rebuilding of the world upon better lines, in the removal of old abuses and in the working out of justice through the best sure processes of government and law. Large bodies move slowly, but they move with a weight and a power in proportion to their size. If we are to make the throne of law unshakable it must be "broad-based" upon the people's will. "Some day without a trumpet's call this news will o'er the earth be blown."

The heritage comes back to all. The myriad monarchs take their own.

## VERMONT NEWS

**May Build Railroad To Asbestos Mines**

Interest in the much talked about railroad between Morrisville and North Troy and the possibilities in railroad connections and development of natural resources, which such an event would afford, has been revived the past few days. This is the result of renewed talk of a road to be surveyed at once from the Lowell asbestos mines to connect with the St. Johnsbury and Lake Champlain branch, either at Johnson or Morrisville. W. G. Gallagher of Philadelphia, president of the Chrysler Asbestos Corporation, which owns a large mine and plant located near the Eden line in the town of Lowell, arrived in Morrisville Monday, having accompanied Baltimore, Md., and Pittsburgh, Pa., capitalists to the mines and also over the whole proposed route from the north to the south. Mr. Gallagher confirmed the report that surveys will be made the first of June for a steam railroad from the mines to either Johnson or Morrisville. He said that the matter of financing the construction had been arranged and the period of five years beginning December 1, 1908, the sum of \$800 came into the hands of Miss Clark and was not turned over to her employers. The case is returnable at the September term of Rutland county court.

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ped down letting him into the rushing millrace. He was carried down the current a few feet, but managed to hold a hold of a stone. His companion finally secured a ladder and helped him out.

Miss Edith Blanchard of Montpelier and her sister of Marshfield left a suit case at the Montpelier station one night recently. When they came back to find the case open and several dollars in money and some of the clothes had been taken from it.

The house and barn of William Brooks near Rutland was burned to the ground May 17, with a probable loss of \$2,500.

Mrs. William B. Thayer of Bennington was fatally killed, May 17, near White Creek, N. Y., when she was hit by a southbound train.

William and George Hemmingsway of St. Albans were drowned in the bay May 17. The boat that they were in tipped when the anchor was pulled in.

Suit to recover \$1,000 has been brought by the Lalor Brothers, proprietors of the Bardwell Hotel of Rutland, against Miss Catherine Clark of Springfield, Mass. The plaintiff's claim that while the defendant was in the hotel during the period of five years beginning December 1, 1908, the sum of \$800 came into the hands of Miss Clark and was not turned over to her employers. The case is returnable at the September term of Rutland county court.

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age 18, and Robert Harrington, 20, of Bradford made their escape from the house of correction May 7. This was done by cutting a hole through the ceiling; and then climbing for several hundred feet along the ridge poles of the slate roofs of a series of buildings. It is thought that they were in Poultney that night for the creamery and a freight car were broken into and food taken. A pair of trousers believed to have belonged to one of the boys was left in the creamery in exchange for a better pair. A reward of \$50 has been offered for the capture of these boys.

The funeral of Rufus E. Percy, a member of the United States marine corps, who was killed at Vera Cruz, was held at Highgate Center, Thursday afternoon. Company B, V. N. G., Capt. C. E. Pell commanding, acted as military escort, and delegations from the Grand Army posts and veterans of the Spanish-American war were also present.

Raymond Barnes and David Houghton, who were apprehended in Springfield, Mass. charged with the burglary of the W. B. Fonda Company store in Swanton Junction during the night of May 1, were sentenced to three years of hard labor at the Windsor State prison. Nearly 100 nurses representing all the hospitals in the state met at Burlington, May 12 and organized a state association. This will soon be made a branch of the American Nurses' association, which is affiliated with the Red Cross. The following officers were elected: President, Miss Mary N. Schumacher of Brattleboro; vice president, Mrs. Fred Patch of Rutland; secretary, Miss Margaret Connors of Burlington; treasurer, Miss Hattie Douglass of Burlington. Arthur Hunter, aged 50 years, of Windsor, received a compound fracture of both legs just above the ankles and both ankles were also dislocated near the old stone water-trench on the West Claremont, N. H., road. He was driving home when his horse became frightened at an electric car and dashed through the fence down to the bank to the river. Mr. Hunter believes he caught his legs in a wheel when he was thrown out. He was taken to the General Hospital.

The routine salaries of state fair commission held in White River Junction, May 8, James B. Estee of Montpelier was elected president to succeed Charles W. Gates of Franklin. It was the wish of the commission that Mr. Gates retain the presidency, but on account of other attentions he was unable to do so later than June 1. Mr. Estee takes the office at once.

Little Harriet Critchlow of Burlington was badly burned, May 10, when her mother not knowing that the child was near a stove, threw water from a coffee pot out the door. It hit the child who came running from around the corner of the house, and burned her quite seriously.

A check raiser who poses as a river man often detailed to superintend the big log drives for a lumber company in Skowhegan, Maine, recently left a check at a Barre bank which had been changed from \$5 to \$85. He is known from Maine to Cape Cod and the Burns detective agency has been notified. Elbert Blowers age 50, who lived in a mountainous section of Rupert, died at his home, May 9. It is thought that his death was the result of a blow in his head given him by his wife the week before. At that time, Mrs. Blowers claims that he became drunk and attacked her with a pair of scissors. She picked up a stick of wood and hit him such a blow in the head that he was made unconscious. The authorities knew nothing of the affair until after the man had died.

**MUSEUM NOTES**

**Public School Pupils Taking Bird Walks—The Flower Record.**

The pupils of the public schools in all grades above the third are now taking their usual bird-walks in connection with the nature-study classes at the Museum. Many birds have been added to the Bird-Calendar during the past week. They are: Bay-breasted Warbler, (M.) May 18; Catbird, (S. R.), May 19; Water Thrush, (rare), May 19; Ruby-throated Hummingbird, (S. R.), May 17; Red-eyed Vireo, (S. R.), Wood Pewee, (S. R.), Nighthawk, (S. R.), Cooper's Hawk, (S. R.), May 20; Blackpoll Warbler, (M.), Canadian Warbler, (S. R.), Scarlet Tanager, (rare S. R.), Parula Warbler, (S. R.), May 21; Yellow-bellied Flycatcher, (S. R.), May 22; Whip-poor-will, May 24.

The flower list is fast increasing. Much thanks is due the school children for the many fine specimens that they bring to the Museum. These are the flowers shown on the tables since last week's Show: Blue-bell, May 18; Hobbie-bush, May 19; Rutabaga, Prickly Gooseberry, Red-berried Elder, Red Baneberry, Wild Columbine, May 20; Jack-in-the-Pulpit and Wild Red Cherry, May 21; Black Willow, White Baneberry and Wood Horsetail, May 22; Common Scouring-bush, Smokey Yellow Violets, Foam Flower, Skull Cuntant, Goldthread, Two-leaved Toothwort, Ground or Moss Pink, Twisted Stalk, Choke Cherry, Prostrate Blue Violet (albino), White-grained Mountain Rice, May 23; Butternut, May 24; Star Flower and Clintonia, May 25; Calypso, May 25.

The Acanthus plant is famous in art and history. From its leaves the design of ornamentation for the Corinthian columns was taken. In tropical countries various species of Acanthus grow wild, but in New England it is found only in cultivation. The Museum has received the gift of an Acanthus plant in bloom, the seeds of which were brought from Rome several years ago. The beautiful pinnate leaves form a rosette from the roots of the plant and the all spike of whitish blossoms rises from the center of the rosette.

The following birds have been added to the bird calendar since last week: Yellow Warbler, (S. R.) and Black-throated Green Warbler, (S. R.) May 5; Bay Breasted Warbler, (S. R.), May 8; Nashville Warbler, (S. R.), May 9; House Wren, (S. R.) Blue-headed Vireo, (rare S. R.) and Blackburnian Warbler, (S. R.) May 7; Yellow-throated Vireo, (S. R.), Yellow Palm Warbler, (S. R.) Chimney Swift, (S. R.), Rose-breasted Grosbeak, (S. R.), May 17; Nashville Warbler, (S. R.), and Wilson's Thrush, (S. R.) May 9; Cliff Swallow, (S. R.), Baltimore Oriole, (S. R.), Kingbird, (S. R.), Field Sparrow, (S. R.), Magnolia Warbler, (S. R.), May 10; Oven Bird, (S. R.), Great-crested Flycatcher, (S. R.), White-crowned Sparrow, (M.), and Maryland Yellow-throat, (S. R.) May 11.

Three birds have been added to the Bird Calendar: Bobolink, (S. R.), May 13; Chestnut-sided Warbler, (S. R.), May 15; Meadowlark, (S. R.), May 17; Meadowlark, though not common in northern Vermont, have for four consecutive years nested on the Grout Meadow in Kirby, a short distance east of East St. Johnsbury. A few pairs are now there for the fifth season.

These flowers have been added to the Flower Table since last week: Northern Blue Violet, Woolly Blue Violet, Tamarack, Wood Anemone and Hairy Wood Rush, May 11; Downy Yellow Violet, May 12; White Birch, Small-flowered Crowfoot, Shepherd's Purse and Shad Bush, May 13; Painted Trillium, Black Birch, Dwarf Ginseng, May 14; Wood Strawberry, Canada Violet, Red Currant, May 15; Yellow Birch, May 16; Leather Leaf (West Burke), Large-flowered Bellwort, Gill-over-the-ground, Canada Plum and Swamp Saxifrage, May 18.

Following its usual custom, the Museum will be closed on Memorial day, May 30th.

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